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- 1. The Executive Committee of the Communist Party of Chile (PCCh) considers that one of the most important immediate tasks of the Party militants is to obtain additional signatures for the Stockholm peace petition. Courses for the canvassers have been ordered set up in each Party cell, to instruct them how to refute intelligently the "capitalist propaganda" that the USSR and the Communists actually sock war in spite of their ro-reace manifestations. Political orientation courses are considered necessary to train the members properly in this regard.
- 2. To publicize the pro-peace campaign and to gain additional adherents for it, the PCCh has decided to use testimonials by well-known artists, athletes or screen stars as the most effective propaganda. Every effort will be made to encourage well-known individuals to sign pro-peace petitions. The Chilean Communist newspaper Democracia recently devoted considerable space to publicizing Laurice Chevelier's reported signing of the Stockholm petition.
- 3. Party members are to be reminded that Pro-Teace Committees are not organisms of the Communist Party and that many pro-peace adherents are not Farty members. Therefore, Party problems and syndical complaints should not be discussed with these groups, but only within the cells. Hembers of the Executive Committee have stated that although Party leaders recognize the understandable pride which militants have in their Party membership, militants should deny their Communist affiliation in their pro-peace endeavors. These instructions were considered necessary to avoid the danger of Farty cadres falling into the hands of the police and to protect the non-Communist, iro-meace collaborators from overnment repression.
- 4. Another important roal of the Party is to achieve cooperation with other leftist, but non-Communist, groups in order to bring about unification of the working classes. Communist leaders are reported to believe that their efforts to unify all workers in a centralized labor organization may finally be bearing fruit, after two years of effort. They are much encouraged since some non-Communist labor organizations have appeared to be interested in achieving the same objective. Communist militants have been instructed to cooperate with Trotskyite, Socialist or Anarchist groups, even, if necessary at the expense of sacrificing some Communist rinciples. When the opportune moment arrives later, the Communist Executive Committee plans to take the newessary steps to purify the Com unist political line from the contamination it may have suffered from contact and collaboration with other political philosophies.

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